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**SURVEY**

**OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER**  
**CONTRACT/CONFLICT ATTORNEYS**

EXHIBIT 6

The purpose of this survey is to determine the qualifications of attorneys accepting cases assigned by OPD, their access to support staff, and their caseload. This data will enable OPD to evaluate these attorneys and assist in developing a reasonable rate structure for payment for attorney services and reimbursement of associated costs.

The Statute governing the awarding or assigning of cases to attorneys is set forth in Section 47-1-216, MCA.

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- How long have you practiced law? \_\_\_\_\_
- In what areas of law do you practice?  
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- What percentage of your individual practice is assigned by OPD?  
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- Total number of OPD assigned cases open in your individual practice?  
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- Total number of non- OPD cases open in your individual practice?  
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- Average number of hours you spend completing a misdemeanor case without trial? \_\_\_\_ with trial? \_\_\_\_
- Average number of hours you spend completing a felony case without trial? \_\_\_\_ with trial? \_\_\_\_
- Average number of hours you spend completing a YINC case without trial? \_\_\_\_ with trial? \_\_\_\_
- Average number of hours you spend completing other OPD assigned cases? \_\_\_\_ Type of cases? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- What type of Support Staff do you have? (Specify their position/title, hours per week and # of hours dedicated to supporting you individually)

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- Do you have a computerized practice? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have internet access? \_\_\_\_\_
- What is your email address? \_\_\_\_\_
- What is the email address of your Support Staff?

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- Do you subscribe to Lexus or Westlaw? \_\_\_\_\_
- If so, what is your monthly cost for the same? \_\_\_\_\_
- If not, how do you research issues?

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- How many attorneys work in your office? \_\_\_\_\_
- How many accept OPD assignments? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you use an Investigative Service? \_\_\_\_\_
- If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_

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- How many hours do you average traveling on OPD cases per month? \_\_\_\_\_